## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_

Introduced by:	Turner

A HOUSE RESOLUTION to honor Heritage Christian School's girls' basketball team on their state championship.

Whereas, The Heritage Christian School Lady Eagles have reached a level of excellence that few others have achieved;

Whereas, For the third consecutive year, Heritage Christian clenched the ISHAA Class 2A title, an accomplishment only two other schools have previously earned. This marks the fourth trip for Heritage Christian to the state finals within the past five years;

Whereas, The championship match-up was with secondranked Oak Hill High School, who came into the game with a perfect record of 26-0, and the event took place at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis;

Whereas, The fans for both school turned out in record numbers to support their teams, and the energy in the Fieldhouse was electric;

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Whereas, While Oak Hill put forth an impressive effort, Heritage Christian quickly began to dominate the game and significantly widened their lead in the second half. The final score was Heritage Christian 53, Oak Hill 31;

Whereas, Heritage Christian's defense was a key to their success, as they held Oak Hill to their lowest scoring game of the season;

Whereas, This year's championship team included: Kaycee Jones, Liz Stratman, Claire Freeman, Alyssa Burton, Maddie Anderson, Melissa Metzelfeld, Hannah Dixon, Meredith Martin, Liz Casey, Emily Anderson, Kelly Faris, Courtney Aman, Leah Richards, and Alicia Byrd;

Whereas, The team was led by freshman Liz Stratman who scored 10 points and had 11 rebounds and junior Kelly Faris who had 10 points, 10 rebounds, and an individual record of 7 assists;

Whereas, Heritage Christian tied the Class 2A state finals record for the most team assists in a game with 17;

Whereas, The team received constant guidance and support from head coach Rick Risinger and assistant coaches Ron Young, Courtney Lloyd, and Ben Conner;

Whereas, Heritage Christian's season record was 27-1 and included victories over Class 3A finalist Bishop Chatard and Class 4A finalist Carmel High School;

Whereas, The Heritage Christian Lady Eagles have an incredible 77-7 record over the past three seasons under Coach Risinger;

Whereas, With 12 returning players next year, Heritage Christian can look forward to even more success in the future;

Whereas, The Heritage Christian Lady Eagles should take great pride in the talent they possess, the skills they have

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developed, the incredible teamwork they have displayed, and the thrills they have given their fans: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates the Heritage Christian Lady Eagles on their state championship and on the impressive legacy of success they are building with their basketball program.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Heritage Christian High School and to Coach Rick Risinger.

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